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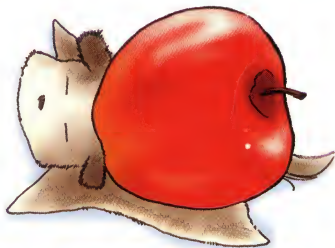
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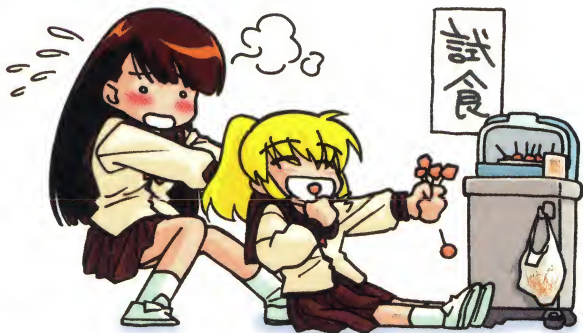
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MINAWA, AKA 370, IS AN ARTIFICIAL HUMAN CREATED TO AVENGE THE EARTH, UNTIL SHE MALFUNCTIONS AND STARTS TO QUESTION HER EXISTENCE. SUGURU, FERRING THE WORST, WANTS TO KEEP MINAWA HIDDEN FROM THE KEEPERS, A MYSTERIOUS FORCE DESIGNED TO PREVENT THE ALIEN-EARTHLING CONFLICT FROM GETTING TOO FAR OUT OF HAND. WILL MINAWA DISCOVER THE TRUTH BEFORE THE KEEPERS DISPOSE OF HER?



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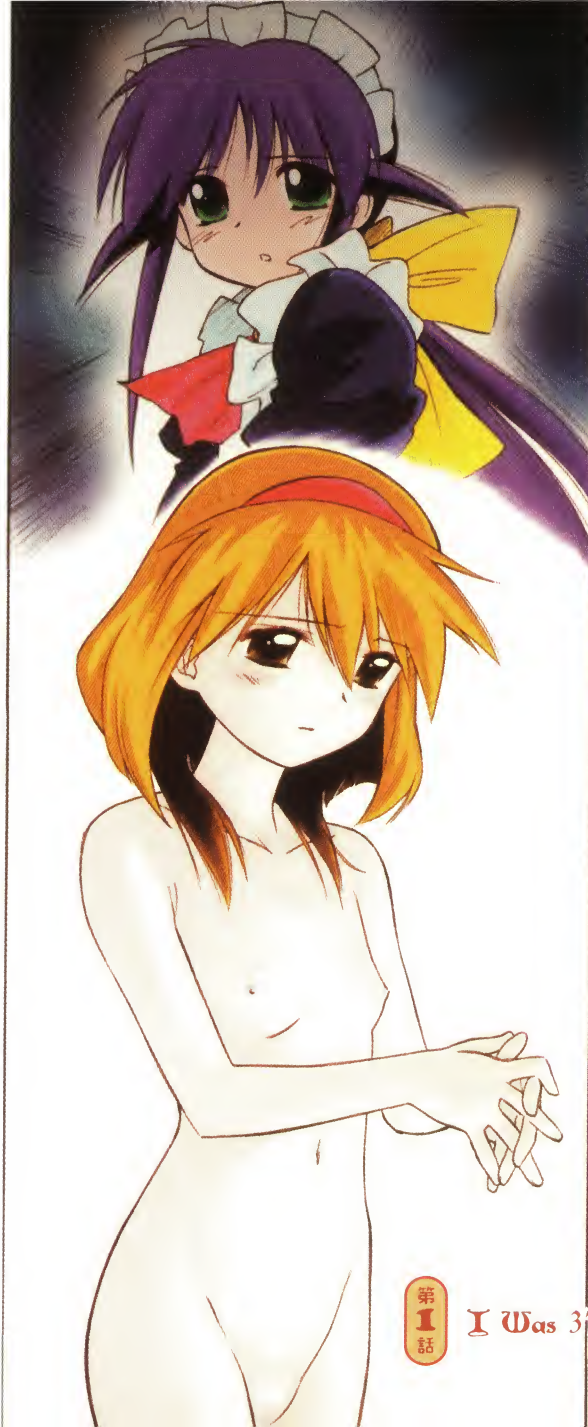
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The Ever-Energetic Maid

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NO SOUL
REMAINS
WITHIN ME.

I AM A
BROKEN
DOLL.

第
1
話

I Was 370 Before Today

WHO...
ARE YOU?

第1話

I was 370
before today



I AM
370.

I AM AN
ARTIFICIAL
HUMAN,
BIRTHED TO
FIGHT FOR AND
AVENGE THE
EARTH.

BUT I AM
INADEQUATE...
DEFECTIVE.

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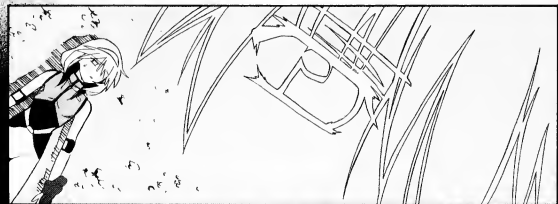
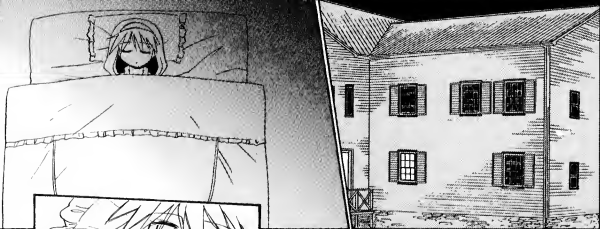
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The adorable Mahoro has recently become the maid of junior high school student Suguru Misato, who used to live alone. The addition of Mahoro to Suguru's life creates quite a stir among his classmates. Mahoro's presence also garners the attention of his teacher, Saori Shikijo, as if Shikijo-sensei didn't give him enough attention already! Saori and her students love being at the Misato household, so there's always a crowd and a whole lot of action.

Unbeknownst to all but Suguru, Mahoro-san is actually the mightiest combat android **VESPER** (Earth's top-secret anti-alien invasion organization) ever created. Unfortunately, the time she spent as a combat android has shortened her life span. There are only 223 days until her systems shut down...forever.



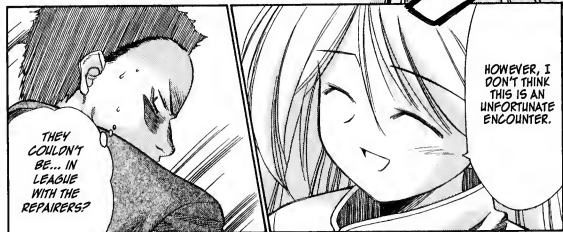
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WHY THE HELL IS THERE A VESPER COMBAT ANDROID HERE?!

I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO IDEA!



THEY COULDN'T BE... IN LEAGUE WITH THE REPAIRERS?

HOWEVER, I DON'T THINK THIS IS AN UNFORTUNATE ENCOUNTER.

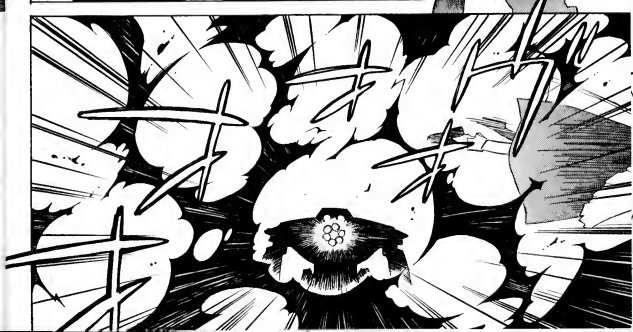
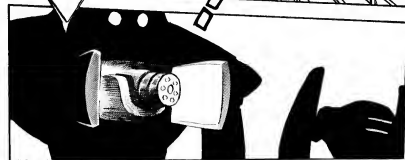


Heh
Heh
Heh

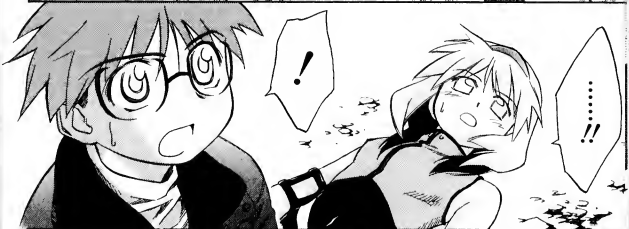
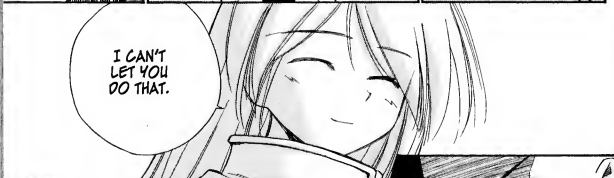
IT'S TIME FOR YOUR LIVE COMBAT TRIAL, 227. SHOW THOSE MECHANIZED BATTALION FOSSILS WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF!

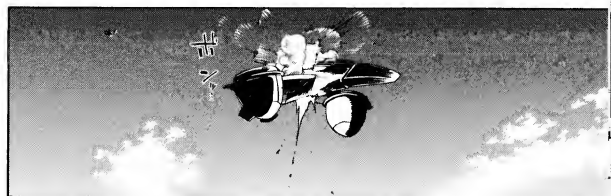
HMPH!
NOW'S OUR CHANCE!

MAHORO IS SLIGHTLY SUPERIOR TO ME. MAY WE RETREAT?





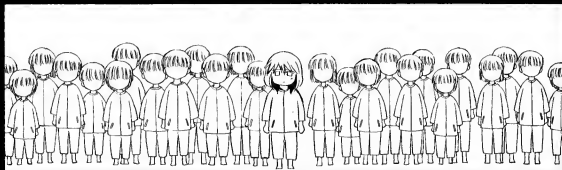




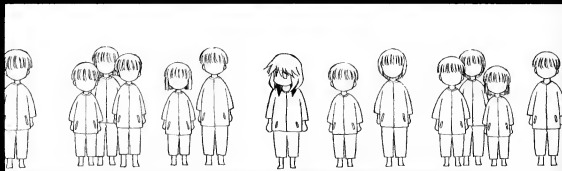




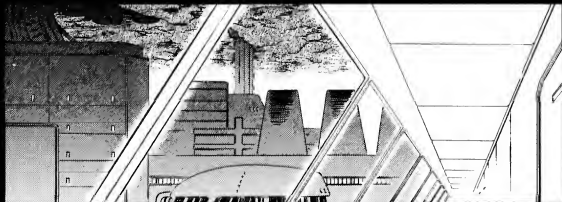
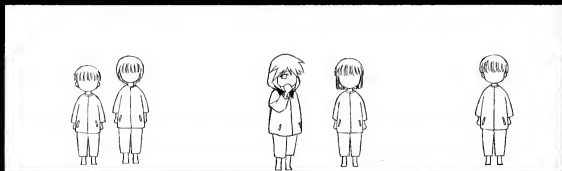
We were genetically engineered...



...to be effective...



...soldiers.



I AM A
HUMAN
WARRIOR,
TRAINED
TO COMBAT
SAINT AND
VESPER.





THE
MACHINE
PART OF
MY BODY
COULDN'T
HANDLE IT.
I'M
DEFECTIVE.



I WAS
THE 370TH
CHILD TO
UNDERGO
CYBORG
CONVERSION.



YOU'RE...
YOU'RE...

...JUST
LIKE
ME!

YOU
DON'T
HAVE
ANY TIME
LEFT?!



BUT...

TO A
FELLOW
HUMAN!

HOW
COULD
THEY...
?!

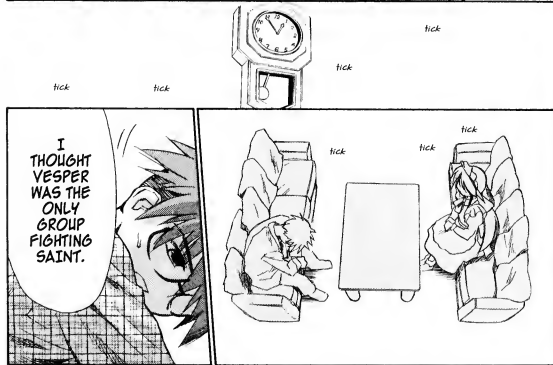


IT IS THE
FATE OF
DEFECTIVE
CYBORGS...
...TO BE
SCRAPPED
AND
DISPOSED
OF.

...?
...?
...?



...MY
ABILITIES
DID NOT
MEET THEIR
EXPECTATIONS.





YESPER
IS...

...A DETERRENT
FORCE THAT
PREVENTS
THE CONFLICT
BETWEEN ALIENS
AND EARTHLINGS
FROM SPINNING
OUT OF CONTROL.

THEY
ARE
ALSO...



...CREATING A
FOUNDATION OF
UNDERSTANDING
SO THAT ONE DAY
BOTH SIDES WILL
BE ABLE TO LEARN
FROM EACH AND
COEXIST.



IT'S
OKAY.
THAT
MAKES
SENSE.

...DESPITE
THE FACT
THAT YOU
ALREADY
KNEW ABOUT
SAINT AND
YESPER.

I
COULDN'T
TELL YOU
ABOUT
THEM...

I'M SORRY.
THE
KEEPERS
KILL ALL
THOSE WHO
KNOW OF
THEM.



SO IF
THE ALIENS
AREN'T
THE ONES
CONTINUING
THE WAR...

...THAT
MEANS IT
HAS TO
BE THE
EARTHLINGS.

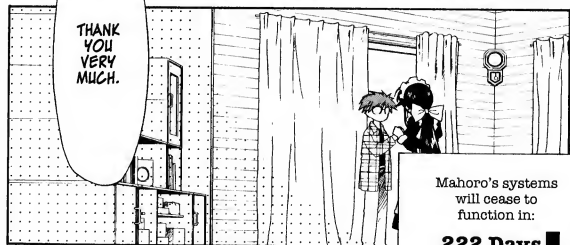
RYUGA-
SENSEI
SAID THAT
THE ALIENS'
PURPOSE
WASN'T TO
INVADE US?



WHAT
PART
DOES
YESPER
PLAY
IN THIS
CONFLICT?

MAHORO-
SAN...





CODE: 370 has infiltrated V1046-R MAHORO's base of operations.
Stage One Complete.

...must be
eliminated.

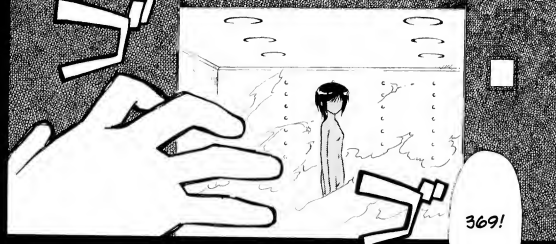
Defective
units...

...must be
eliminated.

Tools
incapable of
killing...

Tools
possessed of
souls...

YOU
ARE
NEXT.



SHE'LL BE
FINE WITH
SUSURI-
SAN AND
ALL HIS
FRIENDS
AROUND.

They'll look out
for her. And
Shikijo-sensei's
there, too.

I HOPE
SHE'S NOT
BEING
BULLIED.
NAH, OF
COURSE
NOT!

I WONDER
HOW
MINAWA-
CHAN'S
DOING AT
SCHOOL.

Thump

HOW
LONG
WILL
THEY...

...ALLOW
ME TO
LIVE?

THUMP
THUMP
THUMP

THUMP

Heh Heh
Heh

BUT THEY
WON'T BE
WITH HER
EVERY
SECOND.

I'm sorry!
I'm sorry!



YOU'RE AT
THE MISATO
HOUSE AS MY
APPRENTICE.

S-Sis-
Sister?

OKAY! SO YOU'RE
MINAWA ANDOU,
NOW A.K.A.
MINAWA-CHAN,
MY LITTLE
SISTER. YOU'VE
BEEN LIVING WITH
US FOR ABOUT
A WEEK.

YOU'RE
FOURTEEN,
JUST LIKE
SUSURI-SAN,
AND YESPER
NO HAS
ARRANGED...
...FOR YOUR
ENROLLMENT
IN JUNIOR
HIGH.

IT'S
SO
COLD.

M
M...

AH,
HAI.

THE
BELL
RANG.
WE HAVE
TO GET
TO ART
CLASS
NOW.

DON'T
WORRY,
MINAWA!
HERE I
COME!

Oof!

HEY,
YOU ALL
RIGHT?

MINAWA-
CHAN?!

UWA!!
NOT
AGAIN...

HE~Y,
MINAWA-
CHA~N!

Whew!

I
gotcha!



Hmph!

YOU'RE
NO FUN.

Don't
talk to
me like
I'm some
pet!!

OH, IT'S
YOU,
SLASHY.

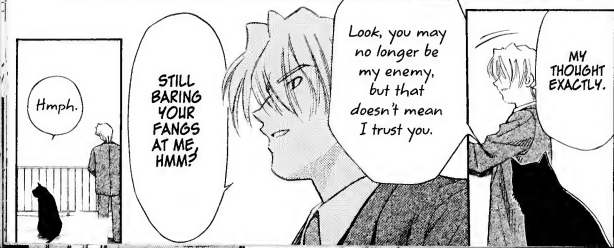
Slashy?!
You
little...!



The second
I see a
crack in
her facade,
she's
history!

But unlike
Mahoro and
Suguru, I'm
not taken in
by a pretty
face.

Well
if you
ask them,
everything's
just peachy.



Hmph.

STILL
BARING
YOUR
FANGS
AT ME,
HMM?

Look, you may
no longer be
my enemy,
but that
doesn't mean
I trust you.

MY
THOUGHT
EXACTLY.



LET'S GET
YOU TO THE
NURSE'S
OFFICE!

HOLD ON A
SEC! YOUR
FOREHEAD'S
BLEEDING!

EH?

I-I'M
SORRY!
I'M
SORRY!



OH, MAN. IF
SHE FALLS
DOWNSTAIRS AND
BREAKS HER NECK
ON HER FIRST DAY,
MAHORO-SAN IS
GONNA BE VERY,
VERY CONCERNED.
AND NOT IN A
GOOD WAY.

YEAH.

FOR
BEING
MAHORO-
SAN'S
LITTLE
SISTER, SHE'S
REALLY
CLUMSY.



A CYBORG
FROM THE
KEEPERS
INFILTRATING
THE MISATO
HOUSEHOLD?
HMMN...

THOSE WHITE
RADISHES
MAHORO
COOKED
LAST NIGHT
WERE SO
DELICIOUS.

SHEESH...
WELL, I
GUESS I
SHOULD BE
NICER TO
HER.

ROMAN AGE
ROMAN AGE

SHUMAI
FROM
HEAVEN!
SURELY,
THIS IS THE
GRACE OF
THE GODS!

Yeah,
straight
from
Taipei.

ACTUALLY,
IT'S THE
GRACE OF
THE MAID!

男用トイレ

Sign: Men's Toilet

OHH
?!

WHA...?

THAT WAS
A BUMPY
RIDE. ALL
THE WAY
FROM
TAIPEI.
PHEW.

SIGH

THIS
HORRIBLE
LUNCH. IT'LL
BARELY
GIVE ME THE
NUTRIENTS I
NEED.

Bottom of Lunch Box: We can't show you.

WELL, I
KNOW ONE
TEACHER
WHO WON'T
BE COMING
OVER FOR
SUPPER
AGAIN!

ONE STONE,
PERFECTLY
AIMED, WILL
DO THAT TR--

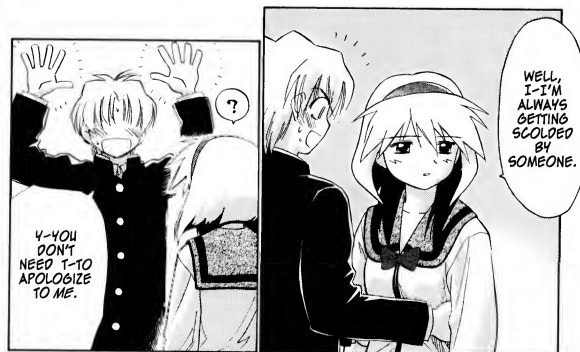
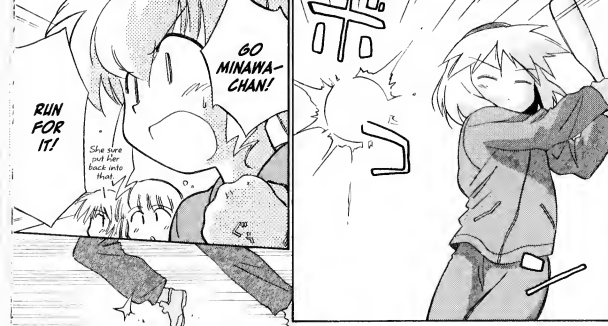
MY
BODY
WON'T
BE
ABLE TO
TAKE IT!

THE THUMP
THE THUMP

I MEAN, IF
SUBURU-KUN
NEEDS SOME
SERIOUS
PHYSICAL
EDUCATION
BEFORE
DINNER
TONIGHT...



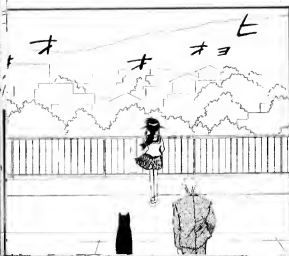
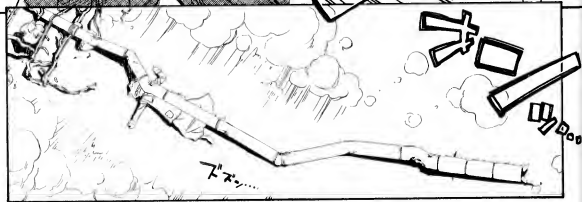
Sign: Girls Toilet



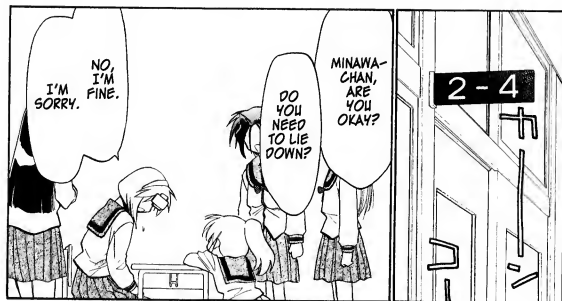


MINAWA-CHAN,
LOOK OUT!!











Ain't he
just so
suave.

Geh!



I don't
need to feel
indebted to
you.

It's my duty
to protect you
and Suguru no
matter what.

Cut it
out. You're
embar-
rassing
me.

THANK
YOU,
SLASH.



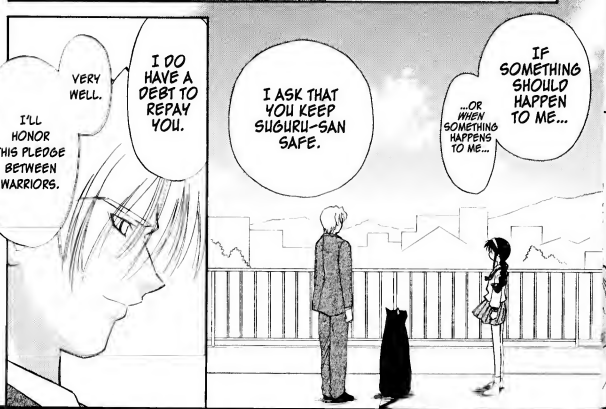
...I'D BE NO
DIFFERENT
THAN THE
KEEPERS.

IF I LET
SUSPICION
AND FEAR
DRIVE MY
DECISIONS...



THAT'S
WHY I HAVE
SOMETHING
TO ASK THE
BOTH OF
YOU.

I
UNDERSTAND
YOUR POINT.
IT MAY SEEM
AS IF I'M
TOO SOFT.



I'LL
HONOR
THIS PLEDGE
BETWEEN
WARRIORS.

VERY
WELL.

I DO
HAVE A
DEBT TO
REPAY
YOU.

I ASK THAT
YOU KEEP
SUGURU-SAN
SAFE.

IF
SOMETHING
SHOULD
HAPPEN
TO ME...
...OR
WHEN
SOMETHING
HAPPENS
TO ME...

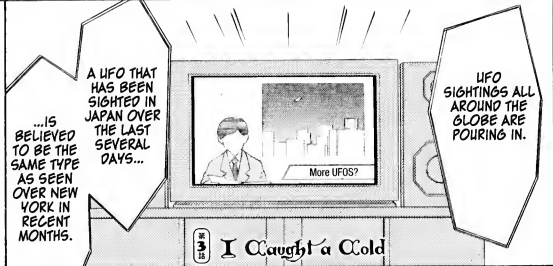
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Mahoro's systems
will cease to
function in:

214 Days ■

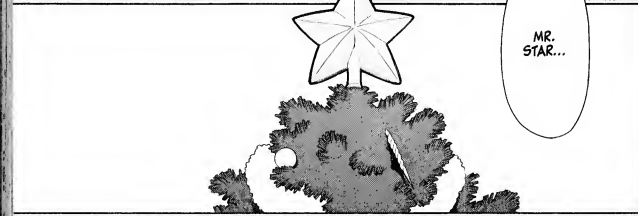








MR.
STAR...



H
U
H?!

AH!



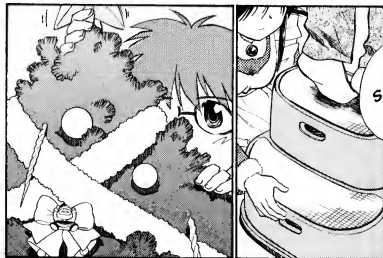
I HAD TO
HAVE THE
BEST!



MINAWA-
CHAN, THAT'S
MR. STAR. HE
DECORATES
THE TOP OF
THE CHRISTMAS
TREE.



WHAT'S
THIS?



S-
SURE.

SUSURI-SAN,
YOU ARE THE
HEAD OF THIS
HOUSEHOLD.
YOU SHOULD
PUT MR. STAR
ON TOP OF
THE TREE!

SAINT's
Anti-
Earth
base.

It's been
nearly two
months
since I was
here last.

MASH WOULD
LIKE TO MEET
YOU BEFORE
YOU LEAVE US,
KANZAKI-SAN.

MASH
?!

And...

Trying to
uncover
the truth,
I was
attacked
by two
assassins...

YES,
LISA-
SAN.

SO
YOU'VE
COME.

THEY EVEN
POSSSESS THE
TECHNOLOGY
TO REGENERATE
FLESH.

THOSE
RAISED HERE
POSSESS KIND,
UNTAINED
HEARTS.

IT MAKES IT
DIFFICULT
FOR US TO
TOLERATE THE
BARBARIY OF
EARTHLINGS.

HOW DO
SAINT
PEOPLE
COMPARE TO
EARTHLINGS?

...as
I lay
on the
verge of
death...

...the
aliens
saved
me, and
brought
me here.

I now
realize
that I was
being led
here all
along...
led to the
truth.

LISA-SAN?
YOU SAID
THAT YOU
ONCE LIVED
ON EARTH.

YES.

SAINT,
THE
KEEPERS
AND
VESPER.

THREE
ORGANI-
ZATIONS.

SMILE

4-
YOU'RE
MASH...!

WELCOME,
MR.
KANZAKI.

I
AM
MASH.



MUSIC?

SO
THIS IS
MASH...

I'VE
NEVER
HEARD
ANYTHING
LIKE THIS.

CLASSICAL?

NO...

I
SEE...

MUSIC IS A
LANGUAGE
COMMON
TO ALL
INTELLIGENT
LIFE.



...AND WHOEVER'S NAME YOU DRAW IS WHO YOU GIVE YOUR GIFT TO.

TO GO OVER THE RULES ONCE AGAIN, EVERYONE MUST CHOOSE A PIECE OF PAPER OUT OF THE BOX...

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, SORRY TO INTERRUPT OUR JOYOUS SINGING...
...BUT IT IS TIME TO BEGIN THE TRADITIONAL GIFT EXCHANGE!

?

HEH. PRETTY CRUDE PREP JOB THIS YEAR, EH HAMADA?

YOU DIDN'T HELP AT ALL! YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO COMPLAIN!!

Okay, okay... Just chill.

I'LL GO FIRST, OKAY?

?

SO THAT MEANS...♡

Ah...

MINAWA-CHAN, HUH.

HMM... MINAWA-CHAN.

Ahem...

WA-- WA--

WAA!

BONK!!

WITH MY UNFETTERED BODY AS A BONUS!

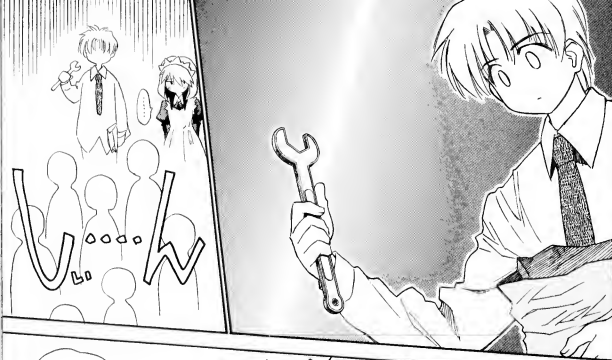
...I HAVE SETTLED ON GIVING HIM MY WARM, FRESHLY STRIPPED UNDERWEAR!!

SUGURU-SAN! I WILL NOW GO BURY THIS TRASH IN THE YARD.

NEXT TIME I REALLY WILL BURY YOU.

I WAS JUST KIDDING. SHEESH.

I SENSE THAT DEAR SISTER AND THE OTHER GIRLS ARE UNUSUALLY TENSE TODAY.



THAT'S
RIGHT
HAMAGUCHI.
JUST SAY
YOU LOVE
IT.

AND IT
CAN
DOUBLE
AS A
WEAPON
AGAINST
MUGGERS!

THIS
WRENCH,
IT'S GOT...
UH...A
GREAT...
DESIGN!

IT-IT'S
OKAY,
MINAWA-
CHAN!

I'M...UM...
SORRY...
IT'S NOT
RIGHT.

I GOT IT
WRONG I
KNEW I'D
GET IT
WRONG.



EH...
?

I was born on
New Year's,
so everyone
just gives
me a combo
Christmas/
birthday gift.

DO
YOU ONLY
GET ONE
SET OF
PRESENTS?

HEY,
SHOUBU-
KUN, YOUR
BIRTHDAY IS
DECEMBER
21ST, ISN'T
IT?



From Saori
She's really
begging
for it
with
stuff like
this...

From Mahoro
Book: The Tome of Virtue...Complete Works of Yamato Nadesico

From Suguru
This sucks. Why'd I get my own present?

From Kawahara
Figures...

Picture Books: Mahomah Park

From Miyuki
CD: Jazz Favorites

Book: Selected Songs from
Shintaro Tanikawa

From Hamadi

AND WHAT DID
MINAWA-CHAN
GET YOU,
MAMAGUCHI-
KUN?

From Chizu
Video: Molestation
Xtreme Vol. 8

From Rin
I don't
need a
diet.

Magazine: Your very own SUPER Diet!

It's a picture of me, Minawa!



.....?

WAIT.

MAY I...
ASK A
FAVOR OF
YOU?

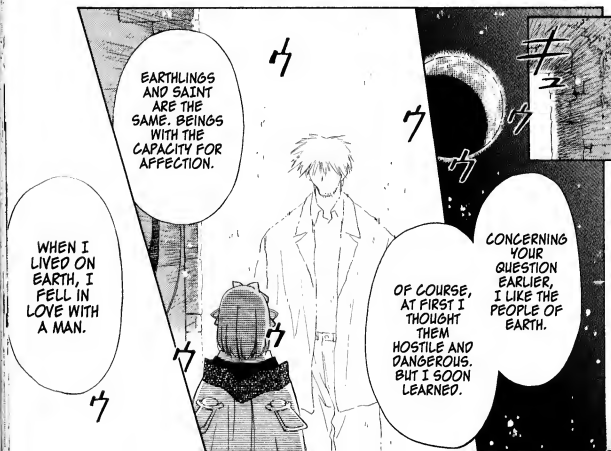


THANK
YOU,
KANZAKI-
SAN.



YES,
OF
COURSE.

I'LL
SEE
THAT IT'S
DELIVERED.



EARTHLINGS
AND SAINT
ARE THE
SAME. BEINGS
WITH THE
CAPACITY FOR
AFFECTION.

WHEN I
LIVED ON
EARTH, I
FELL IN
LOVE WITH
A MAN.

OF COURSE,
AT FIRST I
THOUGHT
THEM
HOSTILE AND
DANGEROUS.
BUT I SOON
LEARNED.

CONCERNING
YOUR
QUESTION
EARLIER,
I LIKE THE
PEOPLE OF
EARTH.



IT'S A
SUPER
CHRISTMAS
COMBI-
NATION!!

AND
THE LEGS
ARE YOUR
REWARD FOR
BEING SUCH
A GOOD
BOY!

THE
TORSO
FOR
CHRIST-
MAS...

WATCH,
SUGURU.
THE HEAD
IS FOR
YOUR
BIRTHDAY...



OH MY
GOD! THEY
TOTALLY
TRICKED ME!

TEE
HEE

He only
figured it
out now?

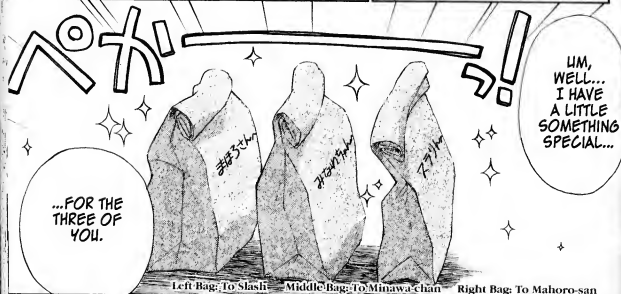


I'D LOVE
TO STAY A
LITTLE LONGER,
BUT TODAY'S
CHRISTMAS...

NONSENSE,
IT WAS MY
PLEASURE.
AFTER ALL, I
WAS ABLE TO
SPEAK TO AN
EARTHLING,
ONCE AGAIN.

AND I
PROMISED
MY SON I'D
GET HIM ONE
OF THOSE
COMBINATION
ROBOTS.

THANK
YOU FOR
YOUR
TIME,
LISA-SAN.



SNOW!

Ah...

Woo

WOOF

MINAWA-
CHAN! IT'S
STARTING
TO SNOW!

3h

THIS
IS...
SNOW...

Ting...

SUGRU-SAN!
SNOW!

Oh
god...

SO THIS
IS WHAT HE
HAS BEEN
DOING IN HIS
ROOM EVERY
AFTERNOON.

I KNOW
IT'S NOT
THE MOST
MANLY OF
SKILLS...
SO I KEEP
IT SECRET.

Hee Hee Hee

I PICKED
IT UP
WATCHING
MY MOM
DO IT WHEN
I WAS A
KID.

MINAWA-CHAN,
LOOK, LOOK!
IT'S A SCARF!
IT EVEN HAS
YOUR INITIALS
ON IT!

THANK YOU VERY MUCH
SUGHRU SAN!!

WAAAAH!!!

I'M SO HAPPY~~~~~!

THANK
YOU...
VERY
MUCH!

あかあか

SLASH!
SLASH!
HERE, FROM
SUGURU-
SAN!

TH-
TH-
TH..



Mahoro's systems will
cease to function in:

207 Days



MAHORO-MATIC
AUTOMATIC MAIDEN



CONGRATS!

A
VERY
HAPPY...

...NEW
YEAR!

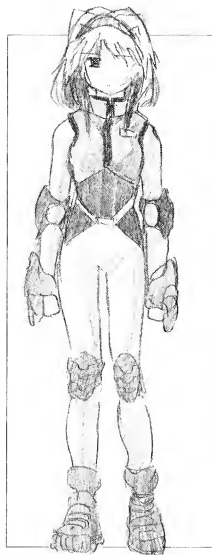
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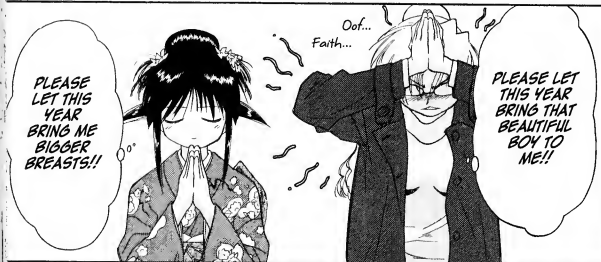
Rose at Dawn,
Pale at Dusk.

LITTLE
BOYS
BEWARE.

AND,
HERE IT
COMES
AGAIN.

AND I
NEED
ANOTHER
NEW YEAR'S
RESOLUTION!





Oof...

Faith...

PLEASE
LET THIS
YEAR
BRING ME
BIGGER
BREASTS!!

PLEASE LET
THIS YEAR
BRING THAT
BEAUTIFUL
BOY TO
ME!!



SENSEI,
PLEASE
DO NOT
ANGER THE
KAMI WITH
EARTHLY
DESIRES
AND FOUL
REQUESTS.

IT'LL BE
THE END OF
THE WORLD
BEFORE
YOU GET
WHAT YOU
WISH FOR.

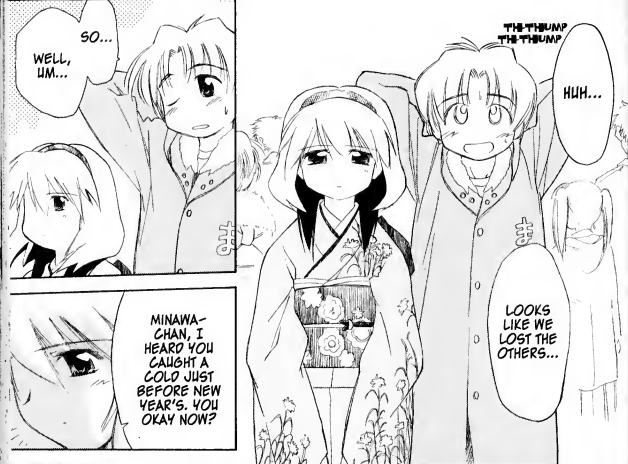


HMPH! HOW
ARE YOU
GOING TO
FIGHT WITH
THOSE
THINGS
IN YOUR
WAY?!

UH...

ALL
RIGHT, PUT
UP
YOUR
DUKES,
PIGEON
TITS!





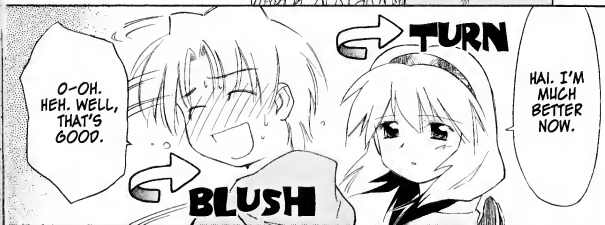
SO...
WELL,
UM...

THE THUMP
THE THUMP

HUH...

LOOKS
LIKE WE
LOST THE
OTHERS...

MINAWA-
CHAN, I
HEARD YOU
CAUGHT A
COLD JUST
BEFORE NEW
YEAR'S. YOU
OKAY NOW?

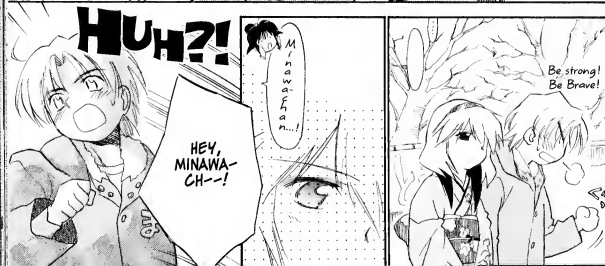


TURN

O-OH.
HEH. WELL,
THAT'S
GOOD.

BLUSH

HAI. I'M
MUCH
BETTER
NOW.



HUH?!

HEY,
MINAWA-
CH--!

Be strong!
Be Brave!



GEEZ, EVERY DAY
MAHORO-SAN
AND SHIKIJO-
SENSEI BECOME
MORE ALIKE.

Ah, no,
we don't
know
them.

WHAT,
YOU
SCARED,
FLATTY?!

I AM
NOT
GOING
TO FIGHT
YOU!!



?

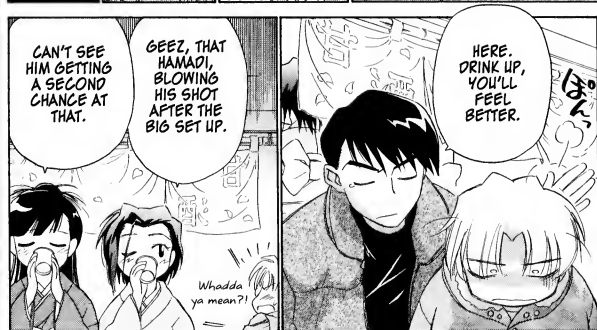
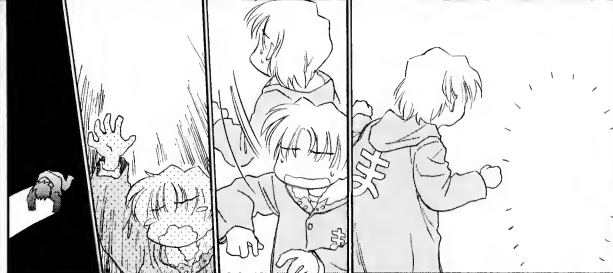
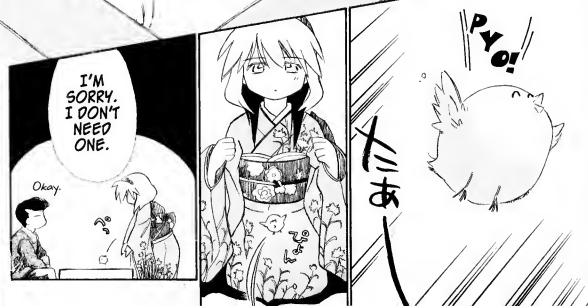
THEY
FIGHT
BECAUSE
THEY'RE
SUCH
GOOD
FRIENDS.

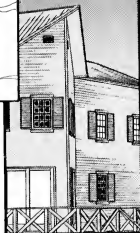
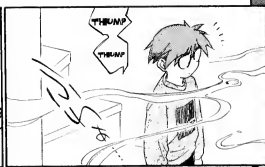
SIS AND
SHIKIJO-
SENSEI
ALWAYS
FIGHT.



HUH?
WHERE'D
EVERYONE
ELSE...

UOOOOOOO!!





Tonight's Menu

- Pork Curry (w/ Croquette)
- Asparagus Salad
- Rakkyo/ Benisho/ Fukujintuke

Paper: Mealtime at the Misato Residence

...SHIKINO-SENSEI...FOR THE WHOLE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY.

I DON'T MIND CHIZUKO-SAN, BUT I DON'T THINK WE HAVE ROOM FOR...

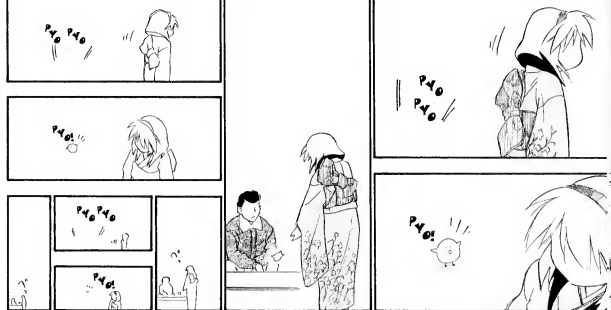
IT'S CURRY!!

NEW YEAR'S DINNER!

WHAT? I HELPED CLEAN UP ON NEW YEAR'S EVE!

ALL YOU DID WAS GET IN THE WAY!

Refers to chapter 1, vol. 4





WELL, SINCE I WAS COOKING FOR FIVE, I MADE LOTS AND LOTS.



UOOOOOOO!
COOKING
WITH LOVE!
OOOOOOOOO!!



WHAT ABOUT THE TASTY-LOOKING BIRDY?



UOOOOOOOOO!!

THEY'RE...
OH,
BOUNCIER
THAN USUAL.

WHAT DO YOU THINK, MISATO-KUN?

BOING.

THIS TASTE ISN'T FROM ANY STORE-BUGHT PRODUCT. IT'S MAHORO'S SEAN'S ORIGINAL RECIPE. OT TOO STRONG, NOT TOO WILD. A BALANCE OF SPICES YET UNDISCOVERED BY SPECIALTY RESTAURANTS. FOUND ONLY IN A HOME-COOKED MEAL!

THIS IS...
CURRY?!
NO!
WHY?!
WHAT COULD IT BE-AH!

UO?!

IT CAN ONLY BE THAT THIS EXQUISITE CURRY IS A REPRESENTATION OF HER FEELINGS FOR SUBURU-KUN.

IN THE NAME OF LOVE, SHE HAS RESEARCHED AND PERFECTED A RECIPE. I SHALL CALL IT, MAHORO CURRY!!



OKAY! LET'S EAT!

THANK YOU VERY MUCH ~-!



I WISH
THINGS
COULD STAY
LIKE THIS
FOREVER.

SO FAR, NOTHING
BAD'S HAPPENED,
AND MAHORO-SAN
AND MINAWA-CHAN
REALLY SEEM
TO ENJOY BEING
SISTERS. IT'S
CUTE.

MINAWA-
CHAN'S
BEEN
HERE FOR
OVER A MONTH.

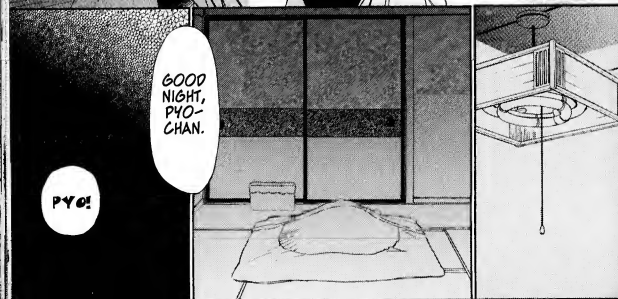
IT'S GREAT
CHIZU-SAN
MADE PYO-
CHAN A HOUSE.

HAI.

HAI,
SISTER.

OKAY,
I'LL
WASH
YOU
FIRST.

SHE
HAS SUCH
BEAUTIFUL
SKIN,
BUT...



I WASN'T
BORN TO
BECOME A
MACHINE.

...THAT I
SHOULD
HAVE
STAYED
HUMAN.



RECENTLY
I'VE BEEN
THINKING...

FIGURED
YOU'D
STILL BE
DRINKIN'
OIL.



YOU SURE
EAT A LOT
OF FOOD
FOR ONE
OF THE
REPAIRER
CYBORGS.

PHEW...



AIN'T
THAT THE
TRUTH!

OIL'S
WAY TOO
GOOD
FOR HER!

PLEASE
DON'T
TELL
ANYONE
I SAID
THAT,
370.



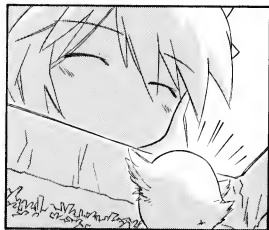
YOU'RE
RIGHT. I-
I MEAN...
I STILL
HAVE MY
SOUL.



I
WON'T.







OH,
NO.

GAASP

SISTER
?

PYO-
CHAN
WON'T
WAKE
UP.

IT JUST
WASN'T
OLD
ENOUGH.

THUMP

NO, SHE
SHOULD
BE HERE.
I WONDER
IF SHE'S
OKAY?

HMM? DID
MINAWA-
CHAN GO OUT
SOMEWHERE?
I HAVEN'T
HEARD
ANYTHING
FROM HER.

IT'LL BE
LONELY WITH
ONLY SLASH
AND GURRY-
CHAN HERE
DURING THE
DAY... SIGH...

WOH! NEW
YEAR'S WAS
SURE OVER
IN A FLASH!
BACK TO
SCHOOL
TOMORROW.

Carefree,
carefree,
like a little
puppy...

When
you're
upset at
everyone,
just ignore
them...

She
seems
happy...

YEAH. WINTER
VACATION'S
ONLY TWO
WEEKS.

I'M
COMING
IN.

HMM
?

MINAWA-
CHAN?



HOW COULD I
FORGET

WHAT
WAS I
THINKING??

GLENN



IT'S
MY
FAULT.



PYO-
CHAN...
IS DEAD.





THERE'S
NOTHING
LEFT OF
HER.

BUT 369
DOESN'T
HAVE A
GRAVE...



PYO-CHAN
DIED...

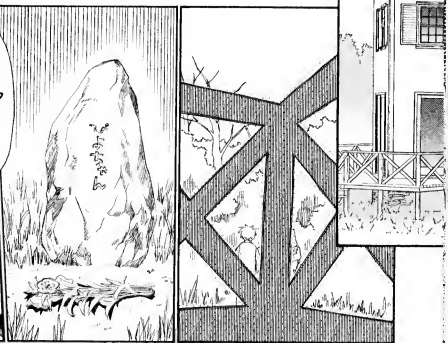
...JUST
LIKE 369
DIED...



YEAH.

PYO-
CHAN
WENT TO
HEAVEN.

A
GRAVE?



MINAWA-
CHAN...

AND
I...



"The face
is rosy at
dawn,
and pale
at dusk."
Hmmm.



...
...
...





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話

Come On! Like a Man!



Neither
Mahoro nor
Minawa
have much
time left.



Mahoro's systems
will cease to
function in:

195 Days ■



SUGURU-SAN'S NORMALLY SO DISDAINFUL OF UNNECESSARY VIOLENCE. WHY DOES HE WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN SUCH AN UNCIVILIZED EVENT?

hmph!

AS THE MISATO RESIDENCE'S MAID, I ABSOLUTELY CANNOT PERMIT YOU TO GO OUT AND INDULGE IN DANGEROUS ACTIVITY!

YOU MUSN'T GO AND THAT'S FINAL!

IT'S NOT LIKE THAT ANY MORE. THERE'S, LIKE, RULES AND STUFF. NO ONE GETS HURT.

Uh-oh!

MISS HIRYU

BECAUSE!!

WHY CAN'T I?

HA! THAT'S QUITE RIGHT.

SIGH

ALL RIGHT. I GUESS I HAVE NO CHOICE. I'LL GO STUDY, THEN.

SUGURU-SAN, SUPPER'S READY. I PUT SOME NICE AND HOT MISO SOUP IN--

H M M M...

WILL YOU BRING ME SUPPER WHEN IT'S READY?

SURE.

I'LL GO TO MY ROOM, THEN.

100%

UHM...

WHAT'S THAT?

IT MEANS THAT YOU CAN PICK FIGHTS WITH ANYONE IN TOWN TONIGHT.

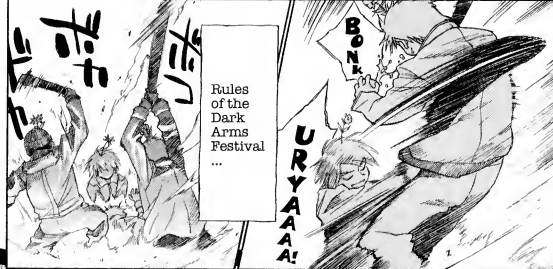
THE KIRYU DARK ARMS FESTIVAL HAS CARRIED ON SINCE EDO TIMES.

YOU MUSN'T!

YEAH. EVERY YEAR...WELL, UNTIL YEAR 33 OF THE SHOWA ERA. AT LEAST ONE OR TWO PEOPLE DIED AT EVERY ONE.

HIRYU DARK ARMS FESTIVAL?

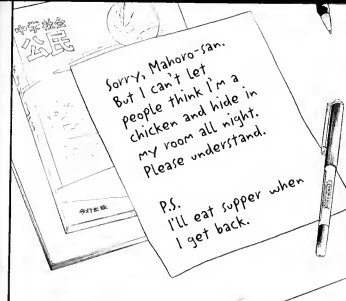
A FIGHTING FESTIVAL ?!!



Rule Three: The festival lasts until the midnight bell rings at the Hiryu Temple.

Rule Two: One is eliminated when the flower on top of one's head has been smashed.

Rule One: Only city-approved, air-filled batons are permitted in battle.



H-HE
SNUCK
OUT!

SISTER?

WE NEED
TO PROTECT
SUGURU-
SAN!

GLENCH

H-HOW
BRUTAL!



HERE IS THE LIST OF THOSE THE REPAIRER WANTS ELIMINATED.

HAI.

IT'S QUITE A LONG LIST.

PERHAPS IT WOULD BE BETTER TO LET THEM BE.

MMM...

LET'S HURRY, MINAWA-CHAN!

H-HAI!

I'M...

I'M SORRY...

UM... MINAWA-CHAN?

Dizzy

22:43 Minawa Andou is eliminated.



SUSPICIOUS...
ARE YOU
REFERRING TO
THE CYBORG
370?



AH...
FA
BELSHIA?

YOU'RE
FINE
WITH
THIS?

THE PERSON
AT THE TOP
OF THE LIST,
KANZAKI, IS
REPORTED TO
HAVE VISITED
THE ALIENS'
STRONGHOLD.



CLEANING
UP AFTER
THEM HAS
BECOME AN
ENDLESS
TASK.

SAINT
HAS BEEN
POPPING UP
EVERYWHERE
RECENTLY.

THE MEDIA'S
USUAL
CARELESS
SPECULATION
IS ACTUALLY
HITTING QUITE
CLOSE TO
THE TRUTH.

Headline: Day of Reckoning!
Will UFOs Invade?!



Pan!

Pan!

Pan!



SUCH AN
ORGY OF
VIOLENCE
AFTER
SO MUCH
PEACE!!

SPLENDID!!
FANTASTIC!!

HMM?!



A
WISE
CHOICE,
SIR.

ONE OR TWO
JOURNALISTS
WON'T BE
HARD TO
ELIMINATE
ONCE WE
TAKE CARE OF
THE OTHERS.

NO MATTER
HOW MUCH
OF THE
TRUTH HE
KNOWS.

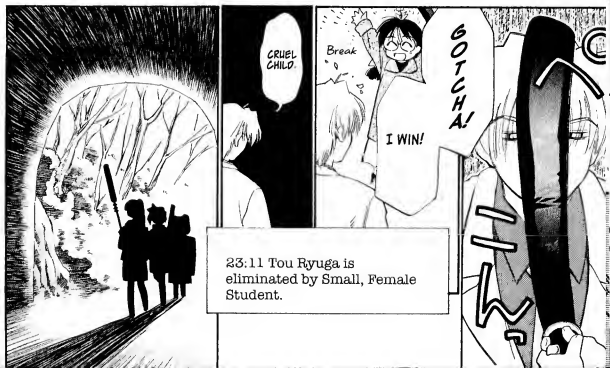
BUT SUCH
A BRIEF
ENCOUNTER
IS SURELY
NOTHING
TO BE
CONCERNED
ABOUT.

PERHAPS THIS
KANZAKI HAS
SECRET TIES
TO SAINT?
OR VESPER?



THERE IS
SOMETHING
ELSE I MUST
REPORT TO
YOU, SIR.

INFORMATION
CONCERNING
SUSPICIOUS
ACTIVITY BY
METHRIS...
THE REPAIRER.



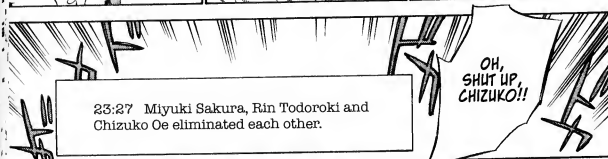


PEOPLE HAVE NO SENSE OF TRUST OR LOYALTY IN THIS DAY AND AGE.

LIKE YOU WEREN'T GONNA TURN ON US!

SO YOU PLANNED TO STAB ME IN BACK FROM THE START, YOU TRAITORS!

Ah...



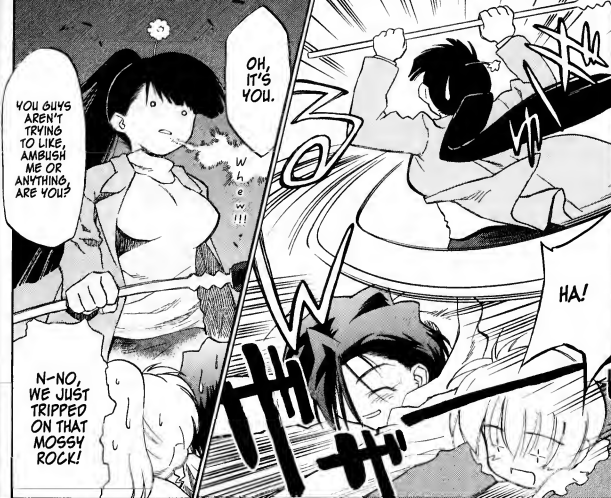
23:27 Miyuki Sakura, Rin Todoroki and Chizuko Oe eliminated each other.

OH, SHUT UP, CHIZUKO!!



QUITE. BUT ACCORDING TO THE RULES, NOW THAT WE'VE MET, WE HAVE TO FIGHT.

IT SUCKS TO HAVE MET YOU AT A TIME LIKE THIS.



YOU GUYS AREN'T TRYING TO LIKE, AMBUSH ME OR ANYTHING, ARE YOU?

OH, IT'S YOU.

W H O W!!!

N-NO, WE JUST TRIPPED ON THAT MOSSY ROCK!

HA!



WE'RE YOUR FRIENDS. WE WOULD NEVER DO THAT TO YOU.

Glor...

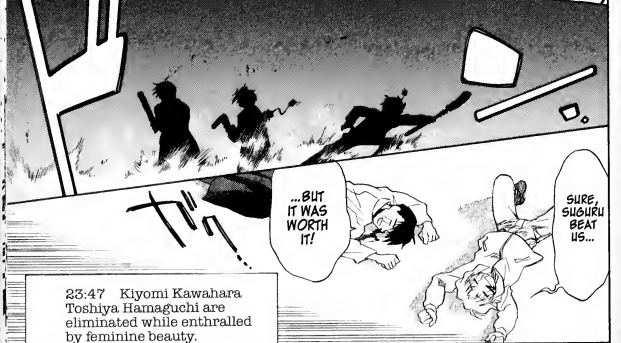
I WONDER...



I swear she was actually having fun.

IT'LL BE MIDNIGHT SOON! I MUST HURRY!





...BUT
IT WAS
WORTH
IT!

SURE,
SUGURU
BEAT
US...

23:47 Kiyomi Kawahara
Toshiya Hamaguchi are
eliminated while enthralled
by feminine beauty.



OH...

OH
CRAP!!

HO
HO HO
HO.....
HO~and just just just
HO HO HO!
HO HO HO!

LAST
YEAR'S
WINNER...

I DID IT! I
CAN'T BELIEVE
I ACTUALLY
MADE IT TO
THE TEMPLE
GROUNDS!
NOW I HAVE
TO CHALLENGE
LAST YEAR'S
WINNER.



SUGURU-
SAN...

SUGURU
LOOKS
SO...SO
GALLANT!

GOOD
LUCK,
SUGURU!



OOO!

UH
OH!

IT
SEEMS
SO.

IT
SEEMS
WE
HAVE A
COMMON
ENEMY.

HEY,
GUYS. TWO
AGAINST ONE
ISN'T
FAIR.



YOUR
TRICKS
HAVE
FAILED!

SILENCE!



I CONGRATULATE YOU FOR MAKING IT THIS FAR.

SHIKINO-SENSEI IS THE FINAL CHALLENGE.

HOWEVER...

SLIP

I, THE REIGNING CHAMPION TWO YEARS RUNNING, SHALL FINISH YOU HERE!

I HAVE DEFEATED MANY WARRIORS TO ARRIVE HERE FOR THIS FINAL BOUT.

I WON'T FAIL NOW!



EN GARDE!

I CHALLENGE YOU!

NYA.....?!



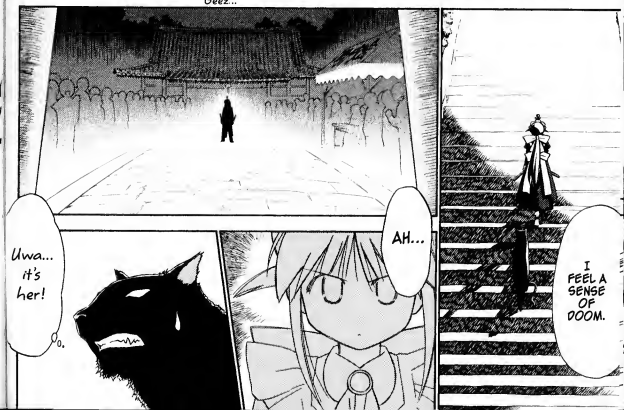
SO YOU HAVE MADE IT THIS FAR!



"MISERY IS A GRASS-HOPPER UNDER ONE'S HELMET."

WHAT A GRISLY SIGHT!

Geez...



Uwa... it's her!

AH...

I FEEL A SENSE OF DOOM.



SMALL BREAST ATTA---CK!!

It is called...

Stop!
Oh, the
humanity!!

SILENCE!!

UHH...

UGH...

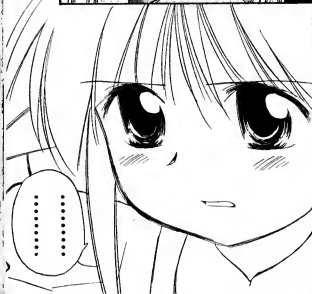
B-
BREASTS
OF...S-
STEEL...

I'VE WON,
YET I FEEL
AS IF I
LOST. LOST
SOMETHING...
PRECIOUS...

22:03 Saori Shikijo
is eliminated by
un-maiden-like
Special Attack.



Um...







HMM.....



OUR WEAPONS
ARE NOTHING
BUT IMITATIONS
OF ALBIV
TECHNOLOGY.
IF THEY
BECOME
UNSTABLE...

...THERE'S
NO TELLING
WHAT MIGHT
HAPPEN.



NOW,
NOW...YOU
NEED NOT BE
CONCERNED.
MR. GAONICH,
CAPTAIN
BALOWIN...

THIS
BATTLE WILL
BE AN EASY
VICTORY
FOR THE
KEEPERS.

WE HAVE
EQUIPPED OUR
WARSHIPS WITH
A SPECIAL
WEAPON FOR
THIS EXPRESS
PURPOSE.

YES, AND
A SINGLE
MISTAKE WITH
THAT "SPECIAL
WEAPON" WILL
MEAN COMPLETE
DESTRUCTION,
WIN OR LOSE.

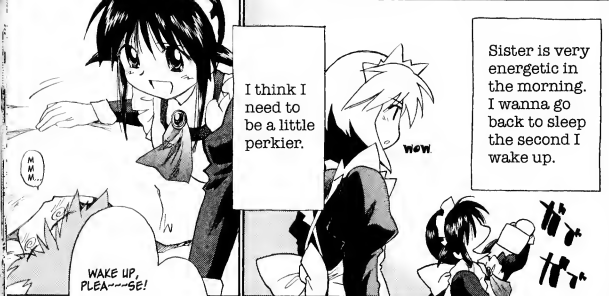


BUT
COMMANDER
DREXEL,
WE'RE OVER
CAPACITY.
THERE AREN'T
ENOUGH
LIFEBOATS
FOR THE
WHOLE
CREW!

WE HAVE
NO CHOICE.
WE MUST
FIGHT THIS
KEY SPACE
BATTLE.

IF YOU'RE
WORRIED
ABOUT
THE SHIP'S
DESTRUCTION,
STRENGTHEN
ITS WEAPONS.





I think I
need to
be a little
perkier.

Sister is very
energetic in
the morning.
I wanna go
back to sleep
the second I
wake up.

WAKE UP,
PLEA---SE!

SUGURU-
SAN, IT'S
MORNING.

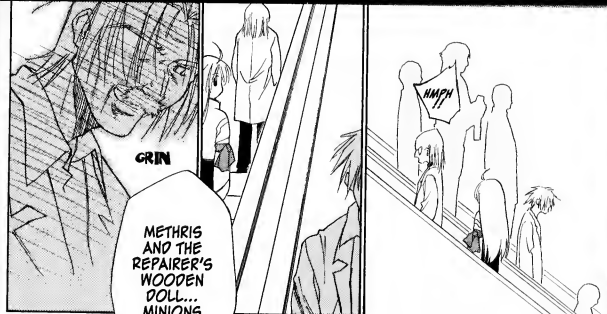


Mmm, Lonely
Time again...

HURRY
HOME!



WE'RE
LEAVING!



GRIN

METHRIS
AND THE
REPAIRER'S
WOODEN
DOLL...
MINIONS
BOTH!



CHIRP CHIRP

GOOD
MORNING

HUH...

YAWN

YES, A
GOOD
MORNING
IT IS,
MINAWA-
CHAN!!



I like school but...

I like being with Sister even more.



THIS ISN'T LADYLIKE, SO WE'LL KEEP THIS TO OURSELVES, OKAY?

LET'S GO BACK AND MAKE GYOZA! WE'RE COOKING FOR FOUR, SO WE NEED ENOUGH FOR 100 PIECES, RIGHT?

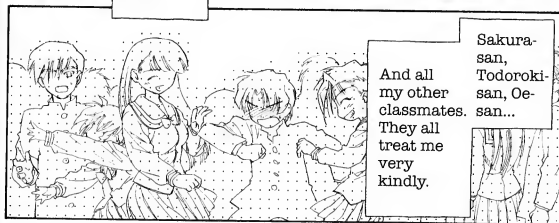
HAI!

WE'RE FINALLY DONE SHOPPING.

THANKS A BUNCH!

TWO PIECES, PLEASE.

BUT BEFORE THAT...





NOW THEN...

THE VICTOR
MAY DO AS HE
PLEASES WITH
HIS SENSE!

MMM
MMM
MMM

GULP!

I
HAVE LOST.
THEREFORE,
RIGHTFULLY,
I MUST...

OOF!



While I
sing like a
siren...

Men are
so very
quiet...



A) The situation is dire
B) No idea



I AM FROM ZEE
PRINCIPALITY OF
ROWENSCHTEIN!
I COMING
FOR JAPAN
IS EXCHANGE
STUDENT! MY
JAPANESE NO
GOOD!

S-
STOP...!
YOU GOT
THE WRONG
IDEA!!

UNFORTU-
NATELY... I AM
THE CURRENT
VICTOR... I WILL
DO WITH YOU AS
I PLEASE.

Suguru-san
and I don't
know whose
side to take
when Sister
and Shikijo-
sensei fight.

Suguru-san
is a very calm
and bright boy.
After Sister,
I like him
the best.

HA
HA
HA

GO EASY
ON HER
NOW,
MAHORO-
SA-N!

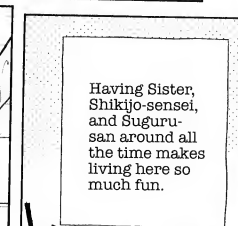
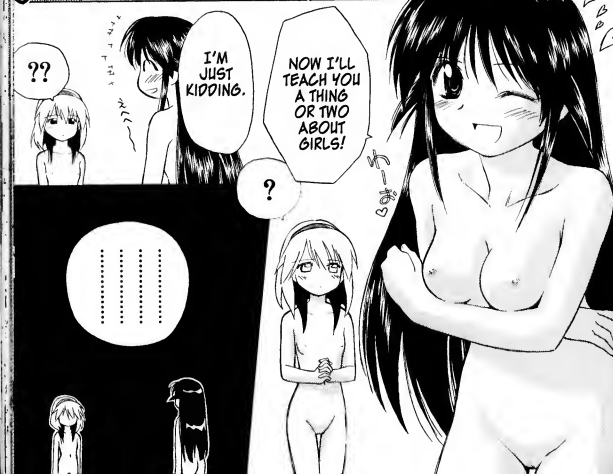
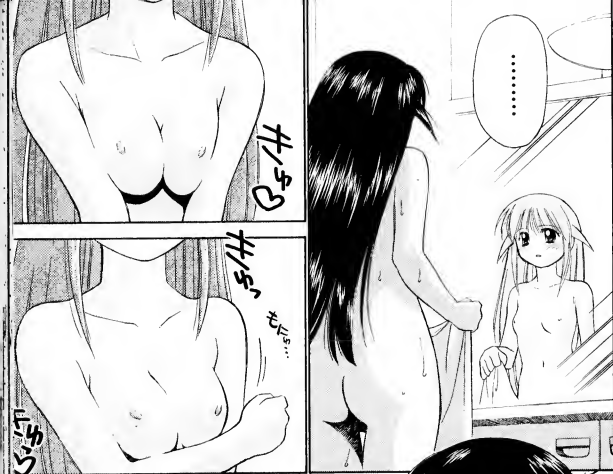
YOU'VE
BECOME QUITE
PERCEPTIVE,
SUGURU-SAN!
SPLENDID!

OH
YEAH

WRONG!

EHH...?

IT IS?!
OH NO...!



YES!
EXACTLY!

ARE
YOU
GOING TO
CAPTURE
HER?

MAHORO,
HUH...

BUT IT'S
GOOD THAT
SHE FILLS
IT WITH
DETAILS
ABOUT THE
VIOUG-R.

WITH THAT
POWERFUL
MACHINE
IN MY
POSSESSION...

DAMN
THAT
KYANAN...

THEN I'LL
KNOCK THAT
CHARLATAN
KYANAN
DOWN A
PEG OR
TWO!

...I WILL
FINALLY BE
ABLE TO
PERFECT MY
OWN CYBORG
CREATIONS.

Quite
unfortu-
nate
indeed.

If it is
better to
have large
breasts,
then I am
unfortunate.

For some
reason,
Sister
seems to
think her
breasts are
inadequate.

NOTHING
WILL EVER
WORK.

???

Before I go to bed, Sis warms up
milk for me. It's warm and tasty.
After I drink it, I sleep very well.

370
KEEPS UP
HER DIARY
WELL.

I NEVER
EXPECTED
MUCH FROM
A REJECT
LIKE 370.

EVEN
WITH
HALF--
NO, A
THIRD...

THINK
OF
IT...

NOW-
EVER...

A VESPER
COMBAT
ANDROID CAN
TAKE OUT AN
ENTIRE DIVISION
WITH EASE!

IF I CAN
CREATE A
DOLL WITH
SUCH COMBAT
CAPABILITY, I
WILL REDEEM
MYSELF IN
THE EYES OF
MY PEERS!

THAT IS
WHY I
DESIRE
VIOUG-R!

MY, MY, IF
HE REALLY
DOES CAPTURE
MAHORO, HE
WON'T HAVE
ANY USE
FOR ME.

AND ONCE
I FIND ITS
WEAKNESS,
SHE WILL
BE MINE!

HE JUST
FIXED
HIS DATA,
LOADED HIS
MACHINES
WITH
EXTRAS...

THEY COULD
NEVER
ACHIEVE
THE SAME
STEALTH
AND SKILL
OF THE
ANDROIDS...

HIS
UGLY
STEEL
TOYS...

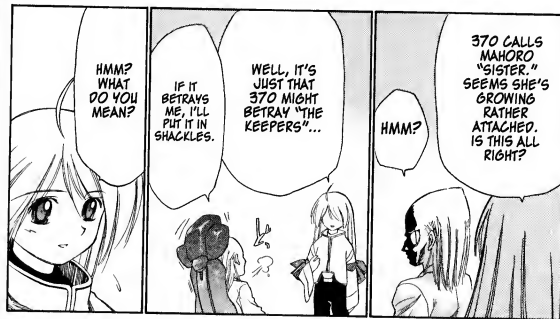
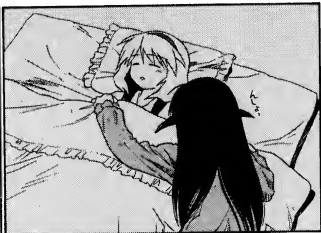
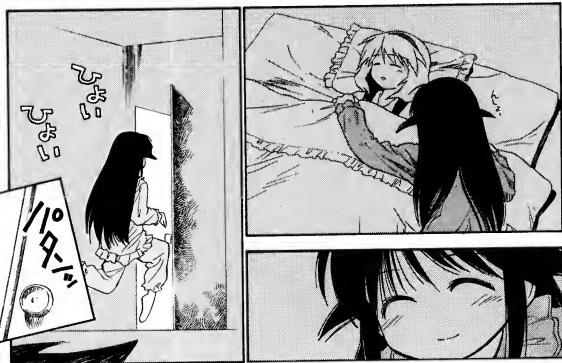
I'VE ALWAYS
FAILED AT MY
CREATIONS,
BUT STAYED
HONEST.

ALL THAT
FIREPOWER JUST
PULLED THE WOOL
OVER THEIR EYES.

NOW, EVEN MY
POWERFUL PHASE
ONE CYBORGS
ARE SEEN
AS INFERIOR
CREATIONS.

AND I WAS
MADE "THE
REPAIRER."
NOTHING
MORE THAN
A LOWLY,
FILTHY
BUTCHER!

KYANAN WAS
PROMOTED TO
HEAD OF
RESEARCH AND
DEVELOPMENT...



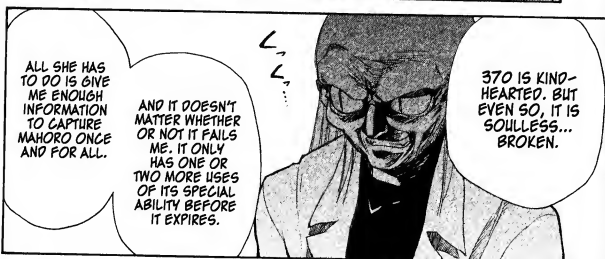
HMM?
WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?

IF IT
BETRAYS
ME, I'LL
PUT IT IN
SHACKLES.

WELL, IT'S
JUST THAT
370 MIGHT
BETRAY "THE
KEEPERS"...

HMM?

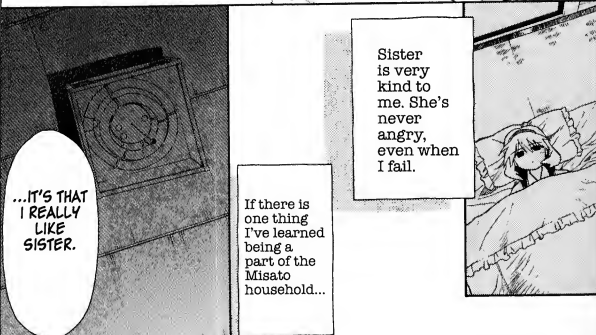
370 CALLS
MAHORO
"SISTER."
SEEMS SHE'S
GROWING
RATHER
ATTACHED.
IS THIS ALL
RIGHT?



ALL SHE HAS
TO DO IS GIVE
ME ENOUGH
INFORMATION
TO CAPTURE
MAHORO ONCE
AND FOR ALL.

AND IT DOESN'T
MATTER WHETHER
OR NOT IT FAILS
ME. IT ONLY
HAS ONE OR
TWO MORE USES
OF ITS SPECIAL
ABILITY BEFORE
IT EXPIRES.

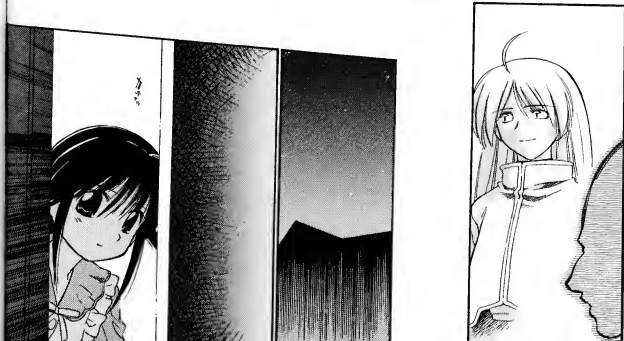
370 IS KIND-
HEARTED. BUT
EVEN SO, IT IS
SOULLESS...
BROKEN.

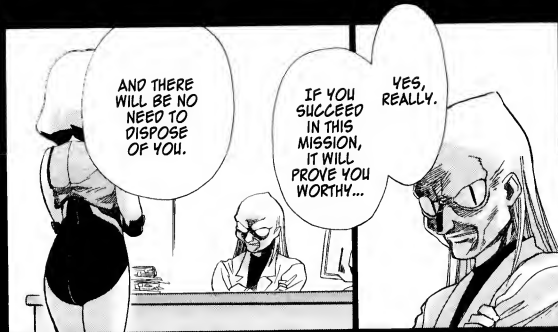


...IT'S THAT
I REALLY
LIKE
SISTER.

If there is
one thing
I've learned
being a
part of the
Misato
household...

Sister
is very
kind to
me. She's
never
angry,
even when
I fail.





OH
WHAT
DO
I
DO?!

...I'LL
BE
KILLED...
LIKE
ALL
MY
FRIENDS.

IF I
SUCCEED,
SISTER WILL
PROBABLY
BE KILLED.

IF
I
FAIL...

...I'll...

"MAKE
DETAILED
REPORTS"

BUT
IT WAS
ORDERED
TO...

...ABOUT
SIS...
ABOUT
THIS
HOUSE...

I
DON'T
KNOW
WHAT...

THE
PROFESSOR'S
PLANNING
SOMETHING.

I'M SURE
SISTER WOULD
APPROVE
OF ME
PERFORMING
MY MISSION.
AFTER ALL, I'M
ATTEMPTING
TO ESCAPE
CERTAIN
DESTRUCTION.

MahoroMATIC
AUTOMATIC MAIDEN



Mahoro's systems
will cease to
function in:

173 Days ■



WHAT
SHOULD
I DO...?

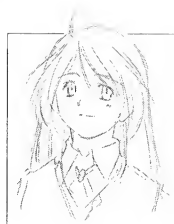
WHAT
SHOULD...
I DO...?



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MAHOROMATIC BLACK

AUTOMATIC MAIDEN







Maid Romatic
MULTI-MATIC MAIDS

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ART BY RYU BITAMA
STORY BY BUNJURO NAKAYAMA

MANGA

WELL, IT WOULD HAVE TO BE SOMEONE WHO STANDS TO BENEFIT FROM IT.

MMMM
GOOD!

MAYBE SOMEONE USED SHIKIJO-SENSEI AS PART OF A SCHEME TO SPLIT RIN AND MIYUKI'S FRIENDSHIP UP?!

BUT WHY DID THEY START FIGHTING?

YEAH.

THEY'VE ALWAYS BEEN A LITTLE TOUGH WITH EACH OTHER, BUT WHY WOULD SHIKIJO-SENSEI BE INVOLVED?

THIS IS REALLY GOOD! ♡

It couldn't be, could it?

MAHORO-SA~N,

Chizu's so sweet, isn't she?

You're
in
school,
you!

WANNA
WATCH
TV?

SHE'S
BEEN
WATCHING
TOO MUCH
DAYTIME
TV.

ZZZ

MMM, I'M
A GOOD
GIRL, I'M
A GOOD
GIRL...

LIKE...A
CHOCOLATE
REPLICA OF
MY BREASTS.

Kick
The
Kitty

MM-
HAM!

Snicker!

